or by any of our ancestors or predecessors to the aforesaid Mayor, Jurats and Commonalty of the town and port of Hastinge aforesaid before these times or any other statute, act, ordinance, provision, proclamation or restriction to the contrary thereof made, set forth, ordained or provided, or any other thing, cause or matter whatsoever in any wise notwithstanding,

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, Witness myself at Westminster the fourteenth day of February in the thirty-first year of our reign.

By Writ of Privy Seal and Dated &c

S. GERRARDE